

House Resolution 1975

By: Representatives Wix of the 33rd, Teilhet of the 40th, Johnson of the 37th, Gardner of the 57th, and Burns of the 157th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Phil Raschker; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Phil Raschker has won her fair share of awards for her memorable masters track
3 and field season in 2007, and now the 61 year old Marietta resident and masters track legend
4 has an opportunity to add yet another award to her impressive collection after recently being
5 nominated for the Sullivan Award for best amateur athlete of 2007; and

6 WHEREAS, she is among five finalists for the award, and it is the second time she has been
7 nominated, having been nominated in 2004; and

8 WHEREAS, for Ms. Raschker, the nomination serves as an inspiration for older people to
9 pursue their dreams in sports as well as life; and

10 WHEREAS, her 2007 masters track season has consisted of her setting 12 world and 31
11 American records in several events, and she has been named Female Athlete of the Year by
12 both the World Masters Athletic Association/IAAF and USA Track and Field, Athlete of the
13 Year by Masters Athlete magazine, and Atlanta Sports amateur athlete of the year; and

14 WHEREAS, throughout her career she has won many awards, and in 2008 she is working
15 to reach the few records that have eluded her grasp, including the world records in the
16 100-meter dash and the 300-meter hurdles; and

17 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this outstanding athlete be appropriately
18 recognized.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 the members of this body join together to recognize Phil Raschker and commend her on her
21 outstanding accomplishments as an athlete.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is hereby
- 2 authorized and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Phil Raschker.